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‘Ye Dial’ Editor

Plans Improved

Book For °54,

With the election of this year’s “Ye

Dial” staff, hard work was immediately

started to make the yearbook an even

better publication. John Kuhlthau, edi-

tor of the yearbook, and his staff made

it clear during an assembly of the entire

school that SUPPORT of this project by

the student body is essential.

Stan Bey, the business manager of “Ye

Dial” announced a new policy for get-

ting adds. He told the school that this

policy would leave the actual size of

the yearbook dependent upon each per-

son's Own energy and initiative.

Extra attractions which would make

the yearbook better are the increased

number of pages which will only be

obtainable through the support of the

student body. The familiar phrase, “Go

out and get more adds!” will not be

harped upon as in past years. according

to promises from the staff.

The staff feels it is very easy for every-

one to obtain adds. This promise of the

staff stems from the fact that they were

able to secure three hundred dollars

worth of advertisements on one Satur-

day morning alone.

The group has gotten off to a fine

start with John Kuhlthau at its head,

and Joe Becker, Malcolm Cohen, Diane

Dorn, Steve Hancox, Norm Karshmer,

Jonathan Margolis, Tono Rebollo and

Clementina Vitti.

The staff will have completed the first

twenty-four pages by December first,

which will include the title page, faculty

page and all material on the senior

class.

Prepster’s Culture Vultures

Plan Opera Trip to N. Y. C.

Students of Rutgers Prep may have]

an oportunity to attend a performance

of Puccini’s opera “La Boheme” some

time this spring. This proposed trip was

the idea of Mr. Dumarae, who in con-

junction with John Kuhlthau and his

party thinks it is an excellent way to

develop appreciation of the arts among

students. They feel definitely that this

trip will be of benefit to the school.

The trip will be of interest mainly to

those students who would sincerely like

to see an opera and who think they

might enjoy it. Mr. Dumarae, in describ-

ing his plan, said, “I feel that this trip

will be both educational and enjoyable

to the students of Rutgers Prep.” John

Kuhlthau added that most students of

the school would find the perfonmance

of an opera an unusual and interesting

event.

Rustic Theme To Lead

In Fall Dance Planning

Gari Gatwood, Dance Committee

Chairman

Mr. Heinlein Attends

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Education Conference

On Friday, November 13, Mr. Hein-

lein attended the convention of the New

Jersey Education Association which is

held each year at Atlantic City, The

members of the association are those

teachers, school headmasters aud prin-

cipals who teach in this area.

Mr. Heinlein’s main reason for attend-

ing this conference was that ne might

go to a discussion on better relationships

between high schools and colleges. The

purpose of this meeting was to find out

why students who are academically ca-

pable of work on the college level often

go to college and then fail in many of

‘their classes.

In order to investigate this problem

more thoroughly during the present

school year, there will be representatives

from other schools and colleges who

will visit our school in order to observe

our academic program. Also members

of our faculty will visit other schools and

will make similar observations.

It is hoped that as a result Vf the

meeting and the visits to other schools

which have been planned, our school

will become acquainted with each other’s

problems and that the change from sec-

ondary school to college will be made

less difficult for students, and will ease

the problems of adjustment for the

college student.

On the trips that faculty memvers will

make to the other schools, they expect

to discuss the problems of the prep and

high school graduates in colleges.

Len Bartlett Contacts Band

For Informal Turkey Trot

The Rutgers Prep fall dance will be

held on November 2 at the N. J. C.

lodge. The date was announced by John

Kuhlthau during assembly on November

12. His announcement ended a long aud

somewhat confused discussion among

the students, who had not been able to

agree on a Suitable date.

' Gari Gatwood, head of the dance com-

mittee, has asked the following people

to assist him in planning the dance: John

Kuhlthau, Elfriede Riddering, Pat Lan-

caster, Kathe Van Vechten, and John

Flanagan,

Asked about his decorating plans, Gari

mentioned first a “cleaning up” project.

Lots of scrubbing, window washing, and

dusting will be the first job to be done.

Gari indicated some anxiety about this

part of his plan.

He and his committee have chosen a

rustic theme of decoration, They hope

to make excellent use of big birch logs,

fall flowers, hunting equipment, and rus-

tie furniture. Soft fall colors and fire-

light will transform the lodge into a

wonderful background for the dance,

they feel.

A good band of a piano, drums, saxa-

phone, and a bass fiddle is being pro-

vided. Gari and his committee are mak-

ing sure that for this dance the band

hired will be willing to play any type

of music. The band, too, is going to be

an asset in leading various group ac-

tivities and helping people to enjoy sing-

ing and games, as well as dancing.

Student Council Will Revise

Constitution Under Edelberg

On November sixth, the Student Coun-

cil held its first complete session of

the year with John Kuhlthau presiding.

The new members who have been elec-

ted by the various classes are: Don

Hughes and Tono Rebollo, the senior

representatives; Clifford Griggs, from

the junior class; Diane Dorne and Clem-

entina Vitti, who are sophomores; Steve

Hancox, representing the freshmen; and

Arthur Karshmer of the eighth grade.

At the meeting several points of in-

terest to the school were brought up.

The ammendment to the constitution

was spoken of by Stuart Edelberg, and

he was appointed by the president to

bring the former constitution before the

next meeting with plans for revision.

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the publication group.

SENIOR ATTITUDE

On my recent election to the presi-

dency of the Senior Class, I was asked

to write this editorial. To me the presi-

dency means the representation of the

class as a whole and thus it certainly

should be considered a great honor.

I should try to emulate the ideal student,

as all Prepsters should.

This year means not only taking an

interest in the scholastic aspect of the

school but all the various functions

which add enjoyment to our regular

school work.

This year offers a great opportunity

for all to be active in school life, na-

mely the activity period, During this

alloted time we are given the chance

to contribute our worth to the different

organizations. I consider this period

given to us a great privilege.

In the past Student Council campaign,

the winning party promised a Senior

Day. It definitely will prove an asset

to the serious minded students. On this

day we are given the opportunity to

instruct one of our classes. If we go

through this day with the proper attitude,

perhaps the custom may become a tra-

dition at the Prep.

I am going to try to make this year

a most successful one, both for myself

and the rest of the Senior Class. The |

other class presidents should try to do|

the same. In my opinion, this can only

happen through a well acquainted class,

and the desire for harmony,

The ARGO

Letters to the Editor

In the past weeks we have taken a

few tests to test our skills in the fields

of English and mathematics.

I personally think that these tests are

very good in helping a student find his

weak points in these fields, They not

only show how much you know but

where your weak points are so that the

faculty can help you along so that these

weak points will no longer exist in our

scuvol, Lt the students take the tests

in their stride, they will not have to

worry about their weak points, and

also it will bring up our standing in

the minds of the faculty.

Alan Chirgwin

Dear Editor:

School isn’t the only thing that’s a

duul grind this year. The pencil sharpen- J

ers in this school take the prize for the

dullest grind this side of the Raritan

River. An unsuspecting soul sticks his

pencil in, cranks the handle a few times,

and pulls out a splintered mass that

was formerly a pencil. Another type of

shanpener(?) could better be called a

pencil duller, No matter how long one

cranks, one still ends up with a broken

point. Room One is completely devoid

of a sharpener of any kind. During one

of Mr. Dumarae’s essay tests it is neces-

sary to have four or five wel] sharpened

pencils on hand or else end up chewing

a point on the worn pencil, May we

please have some decent sharpeners?

“Grouchy.”

Dear Editor:

I was recently reading an issue of last

year’s “Argo” and have decided that I’d

like to compliment the present staff on

the good job it is doing to improve it.

Realizing that nearly everyone concern-

ed is new to the routine of putting out

a printed paper, I think the school

should be proud of the result so far. It

will be a pleasure next year to find the

Rutgers Prep “Argo” a member of the

Columbia Scholastic Press Association;

and the present publications group

should be proud to be pioneering to-

wards that goal.

A Reader

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November, 1953

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—A. Michael Kessler,

Limelight

John Kuhlthau is

familiar students seen around Prep. He

has had a hand in all the ‘activities in

school and is one of the few people who

can be five or six places at once, doing

a Hoven different things and succeeding

in all.

John, also called “Mr. President,” is

a good politician. He was elected presi-

dent of the student council this fall

after a vigorous and well planned cam-

paign. Since then he has been busily

putting spark into the organization,

which, with Elfriede Riddering as dance

chainman, put on its first dance, which

was a big hit.

As editor of our yearbook, the “Ye

Dial”, John has proved a wonderful

worker. He has enlarged the book and

promises more interesting articles-

Another extra-curricular activity John

indulges in is singing in the Glee Club.

He sings loud and true with the bass

section and was a soloist in last year’s

Spring Concert. i

Also a sports enthusiast, he has enter-

ed into all sports at Prep. As a freshman

he played football. This year he parti-

cipates in basketball, track and was

elected captain of the soccer team.

In spite of all these activities, Jon

still finds time to keep up in scho®

work, ranking high on the honor roll

one of the most

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backing to sound bodies:

Rutgers Prep

Pugnate

Beat that team

And chire!

(pronounced ki-ray)

November, 1953

SPORTLIGHT

NORMAN KARSHMER

Soccer is a thing of the past and

basketball is the sport of the present.

In this column of “Sportlight,” I would

yike to make a few predictions and

comment on some of the better ball

players in school.

This year’s team is big, fast, and

accurate.

feet six inches. Len Bartlett is next

at about six feet four inches or over.

On the speed side we have Bill Kurtz,

who played basket ball at Hoffman

High of South Amboy. Bill is fast, can

jump, and can sink almost any shot:

George Kalli is another fast man on|:

the team who can shoot with either

hand. Last but not least of the probable

starters is Al Murasco of South River.

Al made All-County from South River |.

High School and is one of the best

teenage basketball players in the state.

Here are some predictions of my own

that may seem funny to the rest of the

school:

Somebody will beat Lou Borbely’s in-

dividual scoring record of thirty-five

points in one game.

Somebody will come close or top 447

points in one season. This is the school

record and is held ‘by Lou Borbely.

One of the boys on the team will

make All-County and probably All-

State.

If we win three of our first five

games we will have a .750 season or

better-

Rutgers Football Star Gives

Views On Soccer At Prep

Bruce Johnson, an alumni of Rutgers

Prep and now a key member of the

football team of Rutgers University,

cited soccer as an excellent replacement

for footbaH, in an interview for “The

Q: What do you think of soccer at

Rutgers Prep in comparison to foot-

ball?

A: In the past three years the foot-

ball potential has decreased with the

coming of the girls, eighth grade and

the loss of the boarding school at Prep.

Because of this, soccer has done a

magnificent job in keeping a fall sport

at Rutgers Prep.

Q: Did your football, played at Rut-

ce Prep, help you in collegiate foot-

?

A: Yes, football at Prep helped me

considerably in collegiate football since

I received the fundemental training

needed for football, especially with the

small squads at Prep, where teamwork

was much closer.

Q: What do you think of football

and the one platoon system?

A: The one platoon system makes the

a lot more interesting, since one

feel part of the team, because he

both sides of the game. It also is

work, both physically and mentally,

Don Hughes is the tallest |:

member of our team, towering over six |

The ARGO

Prep Closes

Most Valuable Player of '54 Season

Trophy and Letters

Awarded to Booters

On Friday, November 6, Coach OQ’

Connell awarded thirteen varsity letters

to members of the 1953 soccer team,

which wound up with a 2-3-2 record.

Before awarding letters, Coach O’Con-

nell praised the fine spirit of the team

and their hustle in producing a good

record, considering their lack of ex-

perience. He also praised the high

scholastic average of the team members.

The letter winners included all of the

starting line-up aling with two subs

who played a fine game. Stu Edelberg,

the leading scorer on the team, re-

ceived the first letter. Bernie Cohn,

a fine offensive and defensive wing,

came next. John “The Toe” Kuhlthau,

our center halfback came next., followed

by Al Murasco, who played a fine year

as goalie.

sina, center forward, and Dave Hendler,

received letters.

of the letter winners.

in the end it is worth it-

‘

school record in scoring,

Dave Buchine, left inside, Joe Mes-

left wing, were the rest of the line that

Backs Jerry Kamm, Joe Horowitz, To-

no Rebollo, Charlie Martorelli, Bill Muhs

and Buddy Zajac rounded out the rest

These lettermen are now members

of the Varsity “R” Club which is an

organization at Rutgres Prep for all

varsity letter winners having its own

rules for the guidance of its members.

Stu Edelberg received the most valu-

able player award in soccer from the

Varsity “R” Club. Edelberg scored eight

goals this year in seven games and

ranked among the leading scorers in

the county and state. Edelberg was

the team’s offensive standout during

the year and will be able to play again

next year: Stu has now established a

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Successful

Second Soceer Season

Rutgers Prep has just finished its sec-

ond season of soccer with two wins,

three losses, and two ties, This was quite

a successful season, considering that the

majority of our first string were playing

soccer for the first time, and that we

‘went into many of the games as the

underdog.

A great deal of the success :nust be

‘eredited to the coach, Mr. O’Connell, It

was because of his coaching in the skills

of the game, and his patience, when all

the players pulled “boners.” He seemed

to know just how much praise vr criti-

‘cism would bring out the best in each

member of the team.

The first string players and the sub-

stitutes gave their time by faithfully

reporting to practice. By thorough prac-

tice, the team learned to work as a team

Should, as well as to develop their in-

dividual skills, which added a great deal

to the success of our second season. The

team also had a great deal wi: spirit.

They went into each game, no matter

how good the opposing team was, with

the idea of winning, and not giving up

till the very end.

| Since soccer was introduced to Prep

last year as a substitute for football, the

first year proved to be much more diffi-

cult than this year, for then our players,

with a few exceptions, knew very little

about the game. However, this year all

but a few of the players had iearned

something about the game by watching

or playing the year before.

. A player that cannot escape mention

is our captain for the year, John Kuhl-

thau. This is John’s second year of soc-

cer, and his “big foot” proved to be a

great asset to the team, assuring both

seasons,

Other outstanding players this year

were: Stu Edelberg, our high scorer, who

scored eight goals and set the record for

the school; Bernie Cohn, who played a

great game on the wing, and by his able

assistance brought our team to victory;

and last but not least, Al Murasco, who

saved many a good kick from going into

the goal.

All the credit can’t go to Mr. O’Con-

nell or the team, for the Prepsters them-

selves, who came out and cheered the

team on to victory or near victory, had

much to do with the success of the sea-

son. When the students came out to cheer

them on, the team played much better

than they did when there was a small

turnout.

LET’S SUPPORT OUR

BASKETBALL TEAM!

Dec. hse Mary’s at South Am-

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Dec, 12—2:00—Hun School at Rutgers

Prep

Dec, 15—3:30—St. Mary’s at Rutgers

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Dec. 18—7:00—Sayreville at Sayreville

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Activities Flourish At

Elementary School

This year we are striving to improve

both the upper schdol “and lower school

as much as’ possible. The Elementary

School faculty agrees that the vest way

to do this is by having more activities

in which both students and teachers can

work together.

On October 29th, there was a Hallow-

een party given at the gym. Punch and

doughnuts were enjoyed by all. Games

were played, and Mark Levine, Bernan

Hartley and Frank Pirozzi wou prizes

for the best costumes, All this helped

to make the new students as much at

home as those who have been at Ele-

mentary since the beginning of their

schooling,

The choral group, which meets each

Wednesday under the direction of Mrs.

Margaret Kelly, is said to consist of

some very fine voices. Some of the chil-

dren may be splendid future prospects

for our own Prep Glee Club.

On the second floor of the school, there

is a room set aside for a laboratory.

children bring in small animals

such as the two white rats brought in

by Sarah Hearn, which have become the

center of attraction to all. Most of the

children seem to have a great interest

in the books and specimens in the lab-

oratory.

By having more activity for the chil-

dren, which is being done this year and

from now on, each and every child

should get more fun and pleasure out

of being educated. .

Daily Conference Periods

Correct Student Difficulties

As you all know, there is a conference

period four times a week. This confer-

ence period is for the student’s own ben-

efit. If he fails one or more courses, he

has to remain after school for this pe-

riod until he shows an improvement in

the mind of the teacher whose course he

has failed. In previous years if someone

failed a subject, he had to Temain for

the complete marking period which was

not quite fair because some students

did show a great improvement in their

studies.

In a talk with Mr. Heinlein about the

achievment tests which the school has

taken, he stated, “These tests which we

have taken will expose weakitesses in

reading, grammar, spelling and mathe-

matics. Our idea is that if we know the

weakness of students in certain subjects,

we can help those who are failing. The

conference period is to find out about

study habits; and if they are poor, we

a seve the student on correct study

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Honor Roll Cited

At the close of the first marking pe-

riod, eighteen students qualified for the

honor roll. They were Franklin Preiser,

Diane Dorn and Carl Stover, all of whose

marks were 90 or over. Also on the honor

roll were Louise Di Lalo, Charles Duna-

enko, Stuart Edelberg, Richard John-

son,; Gerard Kamm, Michael Kessler,

John Kuhlthau, Barbara Lipman, Joseph

Messina, Tono Rebollo, Richard Schwartz,

Rogér Seamion, Kathe Van Vechten, Mar-

ian ‘Veale and Howard Tobin. .

The following ten students certified in

all but one “subject, and they tuerefore

received ~‘honérable mention: Joseph

Becker, Malcolm Cohen, John Flanagan,

Rolfé Harrison, John Hohol, George

Kalli, Pat Lancaster, Jonathan Margolis,

Sharon Ries and Carl Zolna.

When Mr. Heinlein presented the news

of the first honor roll, he congratulated

those who were on it, The Headmaster

also said that he wasn’t pleased with the

small size of the group, and he hoped

that the size of the honor roll would be

greatly increased by the next marking

period. :

CLOTHESLINE

By Nancy Haworth

The girls at Prep have been smartly

dressed and have been keeping up with

the latest fashions and fads of the year.

Marion Veale’s different types of scat-

ter pins add much to her many colored

Many different types of skirts have

been worn this year. Barbara Lipman’s

red felt with black poodles at the bottom,

Marcia Owen's gray poodle cloth,, deco-

rated with her many different belts, and

Susan Lang’s plaid one with a blanket

fringe at the bottom are among the most

stylish.

The vests and weskits worn by Gail

Duschock are very attractive and add

style to her skirts and blouses.

The most popular type of shoes, this

year, are saddles and white bucks. Loaf-,

ers are also very popular,

Sweaters, as usual, remain a tavorite

with the girls at Rutgers Prep, Nylon

and orlon sweaters seem to be the most

popular, with cashmere, wool and angora

ones also seen. Sweaters with a baby

turtle neck are also seen frequently, as

are the traditional cardigans and pull-

overs,

November, 1953

Enthusiastic Turn-

Out Attends Dance

The combination masquerade party and

dance held at the Rutgers Prep gym on

October 31, was a fine success owing to

the cooperation of both the students and

the decorating committee.

The decorating committee, with Mrs,

Wilson as faculty adviser and Elfriede

Riddering as student director, did a fine

job of transforming the gym into a Hal.

loween spectacle. The gym was bedecked

with alternating orange and black crepe

paper stripes extending from the center

of the ceiling to the walls. The entrance

revealed a small enclosure covered in

black crepe paper.

The dance was attended by fify cou-

ples and a few more boys who came stag,

The high point of the evening came

when Mr. O’Connell led the party in a

few group ‘songs. Also highlighting the

dance was a short “bunny hop” and an

excellent ‘rendition of the Charleston

given by Gloria Gatwood and Marian

Veale. ’

Though no prizes were awarded for

costumes, the general consensus is that

the most original was John Kuhlthau,

who masqueraded in a pair of pajamas

and a bathrobe. The most decorative was.

Bill Muhs as a Chinaman. Two of the

prettiest were Clementina Vitta as an old

style country girl, and Marica Owens as

the Queen of Hearts. One of te most -

unusual was Marian Veale, who posed

as a 1920 pin-up girl.

Faculty who attended the dance were

Mr. and Mrs. Heinlein, Mr. O’Connell,

and Miss Kelly, Mrs. Wilson and Mr.

Holley.

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